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THE  
FENNO FAMILY.

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## FENNO FAMILY.

RABECCA FENNER, aged 25, is in a list of passengers in the *True-love*, from old England to New England, in 1635. It was perhaps the same Rebecca Fenno who in 1660 was granted by the town of Dorchester (Mass.), sixty-eight acres of land in Unquity, which was two years later incorporated as the town of Milton, where the name of Fenno is still to be found. Aug. 12, 1683, Rebecca Fenno, Senior, was admitted to the church in Milton, and in Milton she died June 12, 1699.

Capt. Arthur, John, William and Thomas Fenner, of Providence, R. I., 1646, or thereabouts, and afterwards of Connecticut, do not seem to be related to the Milton Fennos.

1. JOHN FENNO, who was granted twenty acres of land in Unquity (Milton), in 1660, was probably a son of Rebecca Fenno preceding, though the proof positive is lacking. He evidently built upon his land immediately, for in the Dorchester records, in 1661, is this entry: "We have layd out and strikēd the way two rodd and halfe broad from the meeting house at unquity from John Gills land and Robert Redmans land to John Fenno's house leading to the way to the Blue Hill." A leader and soldier in King Phillip's war in 1675. Lived in Milton, April 7, 1708, aged 70, which would make the date of his birth about 1638. The name of his wife has not been ascertained. In his will, dated August, 1702, he refers to his property in "Lancashire in y<sup>e</sup> Realme of England" and the home was harbored that in that county was his old world home, but a search of the Lancashire wills has failed to reveal the name of Fenno or Fenner.

Children of John, all born in Milton:

1. REBECCA<sup>2</sup>, b. Sept. 23, 1662; m. April 27, 1683, Dependence French (1648-1732) of Braintree, where she d. in July, 1741.
2. H. JOHN, b. Aug. 29, 1665.
3. ELIZABETH, d. Sept. 21, 1669.
4. JOSEPH, b. Sept. 1, 1670; probably killed in one of the early French and Indian wars as his father writes in his will: "my son Joseph formerly went to Canada in an Exp[edition] a[nd]t the then Common Enemy since which Time I have never heard from him."
5. BENJAMIN, b. Feb. 4, 1673.
6. MARY, b. July 31, 1677; m. Feb. 18, 1701, James Badcock (1677-1749), of Milton, and moved to Windham, Conn., and later to Coventry, Conn.
7. ELIZABETH, b. March 31, 1683; m. Oct. 3, 1706 John Wabro, of Windham, Conn., but seems to have lived in Boston, where she probably d. in 1743.
8. EBRAHAM, b. June 30, 1682.
2. JOHN<sup>3</sup> FENNO (*Jakey*) was born in Milton, Aug. 29, 1685, was a farmer and lived in the part of Stoughton now Canton, Mass., where he died April 23, 1744, aged 59. The house that he built in 1704

\* Unquity and the Blue Hill were the name of Fenno Hill, but the name has been changed by the Metropolitan Park Commission to Kitchener Hill.



is still standing, a big chimneyed red house with numerous out-buildings on Farm Street, on the south side of Ponkippog Pond. The land (five hundred acres) was bought by his father in 1684. He married about 1690 Rachel Newcomb, of Braintree, who died Oct. 10, 1750.

Children, i. to v. recorded in Milton, vi. to ix. in Dorchester, which then included the present towns of Stoughton and Canton:

- i. **BETHIA**,<sup>2</sup> b. Oct. 12, 1692; m. Dec. 15, 1716, Charles Wentworth (1684-1780), and d. April 29, 1780, a. 89.
- ii. **JOSEPH**, b. Feb. 21, 1695; d. in Canton, June 23, 1764; m. Dec. 8, 1726, Sarah White, of Milton, who d. Sept. 29, 1769. No children found.
- iii. **REBECCA**, b. Sept. 8, 1697; m. Jan. 2, 1727, John Pierce, of Watertown, and moved to Canton, where he d. March 9, 1774. She d. in Canton, March 13, 1783, a. 85.
4. iv. **ISAAC**, b. Nov. 14, 1699.
5. v. **JOHN**, b. Feb. 7, 1703.
- vi. **RUTH**, b. May 30, 1705; m. Oct. 10, 1728, Eliphalet Leonard, of Easton, and d. in Canton, March 28, 1761. He d. Feb. 4, 1786.
- vii. **ELIZABETH**, b. May 7, 1707; m. June 9, 1724, Stephen Billings, and d. Oct. 17, 1783. He d. June 10, 1767.
- viii. **SETH**, b. Oct. 28, 1709; d. Oct. 31, 1740.
- ix. **FRANCIS**, b. Feb. 1, 1715; m. 1734, John Brett, of Boston, writer.

3. **BENJAMIN<sup>2</sup> FENNO** (*John<sup>2</sup>*) born in Milton, Feb. 4, 1673, inherited his father's farm, and died there May 19, 1750, aged 77; was selectman 1722, 1723 and 1724; married Sept. 22, 1696, Mary Belcher, of Milton, who was probably the Mary who died in Milton, Dec. 25, 1758.

Children, all born in Milton:

7. i. **BENJAMIN**,<sup>3</sup> b. Sept. 16, 1698.
- ii. **REBECCA**, b. July 1, 1700; m. May 18, 1721, John Shererd, of Milton.
- iii. **MARY**, b. March 19, 1703; d. April 16, 1725.
- iv. **JIMMY**, b. March 17, 1706; m. July 15, 1726, Amos Wadling (Walling), of Boston, married, b. March 1, 1699; d. probably in 1777. She d. in Boston probably in 1771.
- v. **ABIGAIL**, b. June 29, 1710; m. 1st Dec. 24, 1729, George Minot, of Dorchester, who d. Nov. 19, 1741, a. 41; she m. 2d, Jan. 15, 1749, William Lecker, of Milton.
- vi. **JERUSHA**, b. April 26, 1713; m. Thomas Harris.
8. vii. **SAMUEL**, b. March 12, 1717.

4. **EPHRATH<sup>2</sup> FENNO** (*John<sup>2</sup>*), born in Milton, June 30, 1682; died in Newton, probably early in 1767, as his son John was appointed administrator of the estate March 16, 1767. About 1705 or 1706, he moved to Boston, where he was a cordwainer. In 1736 he bought for £750, thirty-three acres in Newton, in the triangle formed by the present Henner, Grafton and Centre Streets, near where the latter crosses the Newton Boulevard, and removed thither. He married first, July 22, 1706, Elizabeth Smith, who died Nov. 22, 1713; married second, April 7, 1715, Elizabeth, daughter of Nathaniel and Elizabeth Barnes; she was born Jan. 22, 1685, in Boston, where she died March 11, 1724, aged 39. He married third, Jan. 3, 1725, Mrs. Martha (Preston) Stetson, widow of John Stetson, of Boston, rope-maker; she died in Newton, in 1781, aged 83.

Children by first wife, all born in Boston:

2. i. **JONATHAN**, b. May 12, 1707.
- ii. **ELIZABETH**, b. Aug. 18, 1709; m. 1716.
- iii. **SAMUEL**, b. March 1, 1711, nothing further found.
- iv. **ELIZABETH**, b. June 29, 1712; m. June 27, 1734, William Rayner.



Children of Ephraim and Elizabeth (second wife), all born in Boston:

- i. NATHANIEL<sup>3</sup> (twin), b. Dec. 31, 1713; d. 1716.
- ii. BARNES (twin), b. Dec. 31, 1713; d. 1716.
- iii. SARAH (twin), b. April 10, 1717; d. 1732.
- iv. NATHANIEL (twin), b. April 10, 1717; d. 1717.
- v. BARNES, b. Aug. 10, 1718; d. 1718.
- vi. BENJAMIN, b. Nov. 3, 1719; nothing further found.

Children of Ephraim and Martha (third wife); i. to iv. born in Boston, v. born in Newton:

10. i. JONATHAN<sup>3</sup>, b. Aug. 24, 1726.
- ii. MARY, b. Feb. 9, 1728; d. 1730.
- iii. MARY, b. Sept. 29, 1732; d. in Newton, 1745.
- iv. JOSEPH, b. May 18, 1734; nothing further found.
- v. SARAH, b. Aug. 8, 1737; d. 1744.

5. ISAAC<sup>3</sup> FENNO (*John<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>*) born in Milton, Nov. 14, 1690, died in Canton, then part of Stoughton, July 2, 1771(?). He lived on the south side of Ponkigog Pond, on the farm occupied by his father. He married first, Jan. 9, 1723, Hannah, daughter of James Puffer; she died July 30, 1731, aged 21. He married second, April 10, 1732, Mary Niles.

Children of Isaac and Hannah, born in Canton:

- i. ELIZABETH<sup>4</sup>, b. Sept. 20, 1729; m. Aug. 16, 1749, Matthew Buck, of Bridgewater.
- ii. ISAAC, b. June 23, 1731.

Children of Isaac and Mary, born in Canton:

- i. RUTH<sup>4</sup>, b. May 23, 1733; m. April 10, 1755, John Kenny, Jr.
- ii. HANNAH, b. Dec. 23, 1736; m. April 26, 1759, Abner Crane, of Ponkigog, where she d. July 7, 1777, leaving a dau. *Hannah<sup>5</sup>* who m. Jesse Davenport, whose dau. Hannah Crane Davenport m. James Bent.
- iii. SARAH, b. Oct. 3, 1741.

6. JOHN<sup>3</sup> FENNO (*John<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>*), farmer; born in Milton, Feb. 7, 1703; lived in what is now Canton, where he died Dec. 15, 1759; married Dec. 15, 1726, Hannah, daughter of Joseph and Ruhama (Babcock) Billings; she died Oct. 23, 1768.

Children, all born in Canton:

- i. MARY<sup>4</sup>, b. Sept. 11, 1727; m. Jan. 19, 1748, John French.
12. ii. JOHN, b. Feb. 11, 1730.
- iii. RUHAMA, b. Dec. 6, 1732; m. 1st, Nov. 7, 1751, Jonas Hartwell; m. 2d, —— Snell.
13. iv. JOSEPH, b. May 15, 1735.
14. v. WILLIAM, b. Nov. 9, 1737.
- vi. RACHEL, b. Nov. 18, 1740; m. Jan. 18, 1759, Ezra Winslow, of Stoughton.
- vii. ABIGAIL, b. April 1, 1743; m. May 12, 1760, John Howard Winslow, of Stoughton.
- viii. FREELOVE, m. Oct. 1, 1767, Caleb Kingman, of Bridgewater.

7. BENJAMIN<sup>3</sup> FENNO (*Benjamin<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>*), farmer; born in Milton, Sept. 16, 1698; died in Milton, May 14, 1765; married June 20, 1723, Abigail, born April 19, 1706, died November, 1772, daughter of John and Elizabeth Wadsworth, of Milton, and niece of Rev. Benjamin Wadsworth, President of Harvard College, 1725 to 1737.

Children, all born in Milton:



i. ABIGAIL,<sup>4</sup> b. Aug. 16, 1724; d. 1738.  
 ii. BENJAMIN, b. Aug. 8, 1726; d. 1738.  
 iii. MARY, b. Sept. 7, 1728; m. Sept. 11, 1749, Thomas Crane, of Stoughton.  
 iv. ELIZABETH, b. Jan. 25, 1731; d. 1738.  
 v. OLIVER, b. Feb. 27, 1733; d. 1738.  
 vi. REBECCA, b. April 19, 1734; m. 1754, Benjamin Parrot, mariner, b. in Boston, June 12, 1730, d. about 1772; she d. in Boston in 1754, a. 90, leaving a house in Liberty Square.  
 vii. RUTH, b. July 6, 1737; d. 1738.  
 viii. MERRILABLE, b. Sept. 7, 1740; m. 1759, James Reed.  
 ix. EBENEZER, b. Aug. 31, 1743; farmer and Revolutionary soldier; d. in Milton, April 4, 1790; no children mentioned in will; m. in 1763, Elizabeth Wadsworth of Milton, who m. 2d, May 25, 1793, Thomas Eaton of Dedham.

8. SAMUEL<sup>3</sup> FENNO (*Benjamin<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>*), farmer; born in Milton, March 12, 1717; died in Milton, Feb. 1, 1791, aged 74; maiden name of wife Rebecca not found.  
 Children born in Milton:  
 i. REUBEN,<sup>4</sup> a administrator of his father's estate.  
 ii. MOSES, b. Aug. 7, 1745; d. in Milton, March 15, 1775; m. March 8, 1768, Mary Fisher, of Stoughton, by whom he had a son *Moses*,<sup>5</sup> b. Jan. 17, 1772.  
 iii. SAMUEL, b. April 3, 1747; d. 1751.  
 15. iv. BENJAMIN, b. Sept. 8, 1749.  
 v. OLIVER, b. Oct. 19, 1751; d. 1753.  
 vi. MIRIAM, b. Jan. 9, 1755; m. John Phillips.  
 vii. JOSEPH, b. Jan. 1, 1758; a Revolutionary soldier; by wife Peggy had son *Ralph*,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 17, 1782.  
 viii. MARY, b. April 20, 1761; d. 1766.  
 ix. SAMUEL, b. April 25, 1763; m. Susanna Humphrey, of Weymouth.

9. JOHN<sup>3</sup> FENNO (*Ephraim<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>*), born in Boston, May 12, 1707; died in Boston, Dec. 9, 1790. In his will, dated April 28, 1788, he is called a leather dresser. His house on the east side of Newbury Street is valued at £200. He married Nov. 12, 1730, Hannah Capen, born Feb. 24, 1712, died in Boston, January, 1792, daughter of James and Elizabeth Capen, of Charlestown.  
 Children, all born in Boston:  
 16. i. JOHN,<sup>4</sup> b. May 4, 1732.  
 ii. EPHRAIM, b. June 15, 1734; living in April, 1788, when he is mentioned in his father's will, but his name does not appear in the first Boston directory of 1789; he is probably the Ephraim living in Eastport, Me., 1785-1787; in September, 1783, "Ephraim Fenno & Wm Sharp appointed by the Selectmen [of Boston] to observe & bring to Justice any Person or Persons who shall transgress the Laws by firing Guns upon the Neck and the bottom of the Common and other places within the limits of the Town." Ephraim Fenno, evidently of Boston, is Captain-Lieutenant in Col. Lamb's Artillery in Continental Army, Jan. 1, 1777 to Dec. 31, 1779; Jan. 17, 1780, is reported prisoner at New York.  
 iii. HANNAH, b. Feb. 4, 1736; d. Feb. 28, 1754.  
 iv. JAMES, b. May 31, 1741; d. Jan. 20, 1754.  
 v. WILLIAM, b. May 4, 1744; d. 1744.  
 17. vi. SAMUEL, b. July 1, 1745.  
 vii. ELIZABETH, b. July 8, 1747; d. 1747.  
 viii. THOMAS, b. June 19, 1749; d. 1749.  
 ix. WILLIAM, b. Dec. 19, 1750; probably the William m. in Boston, March 30, 1774, Abigail H. Crandall, Revolutionary soldier; d. about Oct. 30, 1777, leaving two children, *Elizabeth*,<sup>5</sup> a. 1777, and *William*, so an old memorandum left by his brother says.  
 x. ELIZABETH, b. Aug. 13, 1752; d. 1753.



10. **JONATHAN<sup>3</sup> FENNO** (*Ephraim<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>*), born in Boston, Aug. 26, 1726; ten years later moved with his parents to Newton; married in Roxbury, Oct. 24, 1749, Esther Hunt.  
 Children of Jonathan, all born probably in Newton, though only the first is recorded:  
 i. MARY,<sup>4</sup> b. Sept. 10, 1750.  
 18. ii. OLIVER, b. about 1755.  
 19. iii. EPHRAIM, b. about 1759.  
 20. iv. JOSEPH, b. about 1762.  
 21. v. WILLIAM, b. about 1765.  
 vi. MARGARET, b. about 1771; d. in Newton, Mass., Dec. 9, 1843, a. 72.

11. **ISAAC<sup>4</sup> FENNO** (*Isaac<sup>3</sup> John<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>*), farmer; born in Canton, June 28, 1731; died in Canton, Oct. 6, 1762, the result of a fall from the steeple of the meeting house, which was being raised; lived with his father south of Ponkripog Pond; married May 23, 1751, Maria Davenport, born Nov. 13, 1735, d. 1825, daughter of John and Mary (Bent) Davenport of Ponkripog.  
 Children, all born in Canton:  
 i. NOE<sup>5</sup>, b. March 23, 1755; a Revolutionary soldier; d. in Milton, Sept. 19, 1796; m. Aug. 21, 1780, Mary Holden, who d. Aug. 23, 1833, a. 72; they had *Spencer<sup>6</sup> Andrew, Jere<sup>7</sup>, Jeremiah, Isaac<sup>8</sup>*.  
 ii. WILLIAM, b. Aug. 30, 1757; a Revolutionary soldier, lived in the old Fenno house in Canton, where he d. in 1819; m. Sept. 3, 1778, Abigail Smith, 1761-1847; they had five children:  
 1. *Isaac<sup>9</sup>*, b. Nov. 21, 1779; d. Sept. 6, 1826, the father of Isaac<sup>10</sup> Fenno, of Roxbury, (1823-1897).  
 2. *Luther*, b. March 8, 1782; d. unmarried, 1847.  
 3. *Jesse*, b. July 6, 1785; the father of *Jesse<sup>11</sup>* who owns the old Canton homestead built in 1704, and of George A.<sup>12</sup> of Boston.  
 4. *Hannah*, b. June 10, 1788; m. Feb. 9, 1815, Elijah Tucker.  
 5. *Mitchell*, b. Sept. 1, 1793; m. June 1, 1820, Capt. Charles Tucker.  
 iii. *Josiah*, b. July 23, 1760; a Revolutionary soldier; moved to Quincy, where he d. July 20, 1827; m. Oct. 10, 1783, Elizabeth Arnold, b. Sept. 16, 1760, d. Dec. 2, 1858; they had seven children:  
 1. *Elizabeth<sup>13</sup>*.  
 2. *Charlotte*.  
 3. *Elijah*.  
 4. *Jerusha Glover*.  
 5. *Maria Davenport*.  
 6. *Isaac Jesse*.  
 7. *Thomas Glover*, the father of Josiah Adams Fenno, of Quincy.  
 iv. ISAAC, b. Dec. 30, 1762 (posthumous); a potter; d. in Dorchester, April 24, 1796; m. Nov. 18, 1788, Mary Trescott, and had *Lucy<sup>14</sup>*, b. 1789, d. 1795.

12. **JOHN<sup>4</sup> FENNO** (*John<sup>3</sup> John<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>*), farmer; born Feb. 11, 1729-30, in Canton, where he died about 1763; widow appointed administratrix of his estate Feb. 25, 1763; married Dec. 14, 1752, Jerusha Wentworth, who married second, Feb. 14, 1765, Nathaniel Leonard, of Stoughton.  
 Children, born in Canton:  
 i. CHARLES,<sup>5</sup> b. July 22, 1754; a Revolutionary soldier; d. in Canton, Jan. 6, 1824; m. 1778, Lydia Babcock, who d. Jan. 22, 1836, a. 84; had:  
 1. *Levi<sup>15</sup>*, b. Aug. 22, 1779.  
 2. *Levi<sup>16</sup>*, b. 1783.  
 ii. MARY, b. June 5, 1757.

13. **JOSEPH<sup>4</sup> FENNO** (*John<sup>3</sup> John<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>*), born in Canton, May 15, 1755; died in Milton, June 19, 1767, drowned while getting a vessel



sel up the Neponset river; was in the Crown Point expedition in 1755; married July 16, 1761, Jerusha Robinson, of Dorchester, who married second, Feb. 28, 1772, John Mellus, of Boston.

Children, born in Milton:

- i. ELISHA THACHER,<sup>5</sup> b. Jan. 23, 1763; d. in Milton, Sept. 26, 1784.
- ii. JOSEPH, b. March 7, 1763; moved to Machias, Me., where he d. Dec. 4, 1839; m. Mary, daughter of Jonathan Pineo, and had: *George W.,<sup>6</sup> Mary A., Elizabeth and John W.*
- iii. DANIEL, b. Jan. 30, 1768.

14. WILLIAM<sup>4</sup> FENNO (*John,<sup>3</sup> John,<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>*), born in Canton, Nov. 9, 1737; died in Canton about 1774; widow appointed a ministratrix July 22, 1774; married July 9, 1761, Sarah Endicott, born in Canton, Aug. 10, 1741, daughter of James and granddaughter of Gilbert Indicott, who settled in Dorchester in seventeenth century.

Children, born in Canton:

- i. SARAH,<sup>5</sup> b. Feb. 27, 1762.
- ii. HANNAH, b. Sept. 11, 1763.
- iii. JOHN, b. Jan. 1, 1766; d. in Boston, July 26, 1825; he kept a grocery store on Hanover Street, Boston, and was a deacon in the New North Church, Rev. Francis Parkman's; m. Dec. 8, 1793, *Olivia*, b. April 19, 1770, d. in Chelsea, Nov. 24, 1853, daughter of Isaac and Ruth Torrey; Pratt of South Weymouth; their wedding was the first in East Boston; they had seven children:
  1. *John,<sup>6</sup>* grandfather of Hon. John A.<sup>5</sup> Feno, Mayor of Newton, Mass., 1893 and 1894, and Supt. of B., R. B. & L. R. R.
  2. *Joseph.*
  3. *William.*
  4. *Henry.*
  5. *Sarah.*
  6. *Olivia Augusta*, m. March 31, 1831, Rev. Horatio Alger.
  7. *Harriet.*
- iv. WILLIAM, b. Dec. 21, 1767; housewright in Boston where he d. July 24, 1813.
- v. JOSEPH, b. Nov. 21, 1769.

15. BENJAMIN<sup>4</sup> FENNO (*Samuel,<sup>3</sup> Benjamin,<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>*), born in Milton, Sept. 8, 1749; died in Milton, March 6, 1817; a Revolutionary soldier.

Children of Benjamin and Nabby, all born in Milton:

- i. LAZARUS BOWKER,<sup>5</sup> b. March 3, 1774; d. in Boston, Feb. 3, 1840.
- ii. SAMUEL, b. Nov. 5, 1775; perhaps the Samuel who married Mercy Gibson and d. in Brookfield, Vt., leaving *Otis Washington*, b. 1804. *John Gibson*, b. July 12, 1805; and *Lever Udell*, b. July 13, 1805; the latter was the father of Darwin Gibson Feno, managing editor of the *Philadelphia Times*.
- iii. NABBY, b. Dec. 19, 1781.
- iv. REBECCA, b. May 21, 1783; m. April 14, 1805, Eliphaaz Packard, of Milton.

Children of Benjamin and Deborah (second wife), born in Milton:

- i. DEBORAH, b. April 20, 1785.
- ii. OLIVER, b. April 11, 1787.

16. JOHN<sup>4</sup> FENNO (*John,<sup>3</sup> Ephraim,<sup>2</sup> John<sup>1</sup>*), born in Boston, May 4, 1732; died in Boston, Dec. 5, 1812; buried in Copp's Hill; was a cordwainer and leather-bucket maker on Orange Street, and in his later years kept a stable with his son-in-law Levi Gill; in a letter written shortly before his death he advises his son to become associated with Mr. Gill so that "it will be still said to be Feno & Gill where horses have their fill." He married April 4, 1755, Kath-



erine, born in Boston, July 4, 1729, died in Boston, March 6, 1810, daughter of Capt. James Hodges.

Children, all born in Boston:

- i. JAMES,<sup>5</sup> d. Oct. 5, 1757; d. 1760.
- ii. HANNAH, b. Sept. 13, 1758; d. July 28, 1805.
- iii. JAMES, b. Aug. 29, 1761; d. in Boston, Aug. 19, 1822; was a lighter-man for twenty-five years; m. Feb. 29, 1784, Mary Corey, of Roxbury, who d. in Boston, Sept. 12, 1842, æ. 79; they had nine children:
  1. *Mary*,<sup>6</sup>
  2. *David*, d. Oct. 25, 1814, at Sackett's Harbor, from the U. S. Ship "Superior."
  3. *Calvin*.
  4. *Lucy*.
  5. *John*.
  6. *Hannah*, m. Solomon S. Baxter, of Boston.
  7. *Elizabeth Corey*.
  8. *Sally Corey*.
  9. *Catherine*.
- iv. KATHERINE, b. Feb. 2, 1763; d. Nov. 8, 1803; m. May 31, 1781, Samuel Adams.
- v. JENNET (or JANE), b. May 26, 1765; m. Nov. 11, 1794, James Ames, of Bridgewater.
- vi. ERIZETH, b. Feb. 7, 1767; m. March 1, 1795, Levi Gill, who d. in Boston, April 8, 1818, æ. 51.
- vii. SUSANNA.

17. SAMUEL<sup>4</sup> FENNO (*John*,<sup>3</sup> *Ephraim*,<sup>2</sup> *John*<sup>1</sup>), born in Boston, July 1, 1745, died in Boston, Aug. 3, 1806; carpenter and Revolutionary soldier; lived on Nassau (now Common) Street; married Nov. 12, 1767, Hannah Hiller, of Salem, who died in Boston, May 28, 1816, aged 70.

Children, all born probably in Boston:

- i. HANNAH,<sup>5</sup> m. Jan. 18, 1791, Abel Holbrook.
- ii. ELIZABETH, b. about 1772; d. in Boston, April 26, 1823; m. March 3, 1795, John Gill, of Boston.
- iii. JOSEPH HILLER, bapt. Nov. 9, 1777.
- iv. JOHN, b. 1779; d. in the spring of 1820 on board the ship "Liverpool"; m. Temperance Harding, and lived in Charlestown; had two children:
  1. *Charlotte Hiller*,<sup>6</sup> m. John Tilden Moulton, of Chicago.
  2. *John Brooks*, b. March 3, 1816; d. in Boston, Feb. 14, 1894, a member of the New-England Historic Genealogical Society for twenty-one years, and father of Edward Nicoll,<sup>7</sup> Lawrence Carteret, John Brooks, and Florence Harding who m. Walter Carey Tuckerman.
- v. SUSANNA.
- vi. MARY.
- vii. SARAH.

18. OLIVER<sup>4</sup> FENNO (*Jonathaa*,<sup>3</sup> *Ephraim*,<sup>2</sup> *John*<sup>1</sup>), blacksmith, born probably in Newton about 1755; was in service all through the Revolution, the latter part as sergeant; is described as light complexioned, and five feet and eleven inches tall; married Nov. 10, 1785, Mrs. Mercy Barton, daughter of Ebenezer Bartlett of Newton, and widow of Asa Barton of Needham, Mass.; moved to Bethel, Me., where he was tythingman 1797, one of the surveyors of highways 1795, and selectman 1799, soon after which he removed to Jay, Me.

Children, born in Bethel:



i. SARAH, b. Jan. 12, 1787.  
 ii. ELISHA BARTLETT, b. June 19, 1788.  
 iii. ABIGAIL, b. Aug. 18, 1790.  
 iv. MARY, b. Feb. 24, 1791.

19. EPHRAIM<sup>4</sup> FENNO (*Jonathan*,<sup>3</sup> *Ephraim*,<sup>2</sup> *John*<sup>1</sup>), born in Newton, Mass., in 1759; moved about 1794 to Westminster, Mass., where he died suddenly Jan. 7, 1829; saw Revolutionary service in 1775 and 1780, when he was described as light complexioned and five feet and ten inches tall; married Lucy Brown,\* born in Boston, Jan. 22, 1771, daughter of Enoch and Abigail, and died in Boston, March 21, 1829, probably.

Children:

- i. POLLY,<sup>5</sup> b. June 24, 1788; m. Hiram Clarke, and lived in Antwerp, N. Y.
- ii. NANCY, b. 1790; d. 1791.
- iii. NANCY, b. May 23, 1793; moved to Boston it is said; there was a Nancy, tailor-ss, there in 1822.
- iv. ROXANNA, b. 1795; d. 1800.
- v. RUBEN, b. June 22, 1798; d. in Westminster, June 3, 1871; shoemaker; m. in 1829, Betsey Bond, who d. March 10, 1866, æ. 65; they had:
  1. *Mort.*, b. March 16, 1831; d. man, Feb. 16, 1861.
  2. *Franklin B.*, b. June 20, 1833; d. in Westminster, Aug. 27, 1875.
  3. *Mary G.*, b. April 30, 1838; m. Lincoln Lovejoy Sawin, and lives in Gardner, Mass.
- vi. EBENEZER, b. July 1, 1801; d. in Baldwinsville, Mass., Sept. 16, 1846; m. Sept. 29, 1828, Martha Comee, of Gardner, Mass., b. June 20, 1805, d. Aug. 4, 1880; they had:
  1. *Lucy Ann*,<sup>6</sup> m. Daniel W. Patterson.
  2. *Harriet Newell*, m. George Moore, of Athol.
  3. *Sarah*, m. Russell D. Newton, of Templeton, now of Hyde Park.
  4. *Henry Clay*, d. young.
  5. *Bernard Merot*, d. young.
- vii. FREEMAN, b. May 3, 1805; d. Baldwinsville, Mass., July 14, 1852; m. Hannah Norcross, by whom he had:
  1. *Mary Hemmings*,<sup>6</sup> m. George Eaton.
  2. *Lucy Brown*, m. Morgan Woods.
  3. *Nancy*, d. young.
  4. *Emily*, m. Elisha Carpenter.
  5. *Frank M.* enlisted in 36th Mass. Inf'y, Aug. 7, 1862, and was killed at the battle of the Wilderness, May 6, 1864.

20. JOSEPH<sup>4</sup> FENNO (*Jonathan*,<sup>3</sup> *Ephraim*,<sup>2</sup> *John*<sup>1</sup>), born in Newton, Mass., probably about 1762, moved to Fitchburg, Mass., where he died April 17, 1822, aged 60; married Helen (or Eleonor) Derby, who died in Cambridgeport, Mass., Aug. 8, 1837, aged 72.

Children, all born probably in Fitchburg, though the last three are not recorded:

- i. EXPERIENCE,<sup>5</sup> b. Dec. 10, 1785; m. Joel Howe, of Ashburnham, Mass., where she d. Feb. 21, 1815, leaving *Charles* and *Ezra*.
- ii. JOSEPH, b. Nov. 10, 1787; lived in Canandaigua, N. Y., and Erie, Pa.; d. in Genesee, N. Y., July 27, 1870, leaving six children: *Nancy*,<sup>6</sup> *Judson*, *Eleonor*, *Mary*, *Rachel* and *Amelia W.*
- iii. AMOS, b. May 10, 1790; lived in Rindge, N. H.; d. in Waltham, Mass., Jan. 21, 1862.
- iv. JOHN, b. March 22, 1793; lived in Rindge, N. H., but d. in Waterford, Pa., Aug. 9, 1860; m. four times: by his first wife, Hannah Stiles (1794-1822), had two children: *John* and *Sarah*; and by his fourth wife, Mary E. Houghton, six children.

\* Lucy Brown had sisters Nancy and Harriet. Lucy's mother married second Jonathan Freeman, Jr., of Boston, who left part of his property to the three sisters.



v. BETSEY, b. June 29, 1795; d. in Rindge, N. H., Sept. 9, 1860; m. 1st, in 1816, Joshua Reed (1795-1826); m. 2d, Nov. 9, 1858, Samuel Buttrick.

vi. HELEN, b. 1798; d. 1798.

vii. JAMES, b. Sept. 23, 1799; m. 1st, Nov. 24, 1825, Betsey Parkhurst, of Fitchburg, where she d. Dec. 29, 1827; he m. 2d, Ann Eliza Griswold, and had two children: *Jesse Edison*<sup>6</sup> and *Isabella*; moved to Boston, and finally went to California.

viii. EUNICE HELEN, b. Aug. 20, 1802; d. in Erie, Pa.; m. Samuel A. Derby.

ix. WILLIAM, b. Sept. 22, 1805; d. in Erie, Pa., about 1863; m. in Fitchburg, April 20, 1826, Mary Griswold, by whom he had five children:

1. *Edgar*,<sup>6</sup> killed in the civil war.
2. *Lucy*.
3. *Hepzibah*.
4. *Theodore*.
5. *George*.

x. SABRINA, b. April 25, 1808; d. in Watertown, Mass., in 1840; m. in 1825, Cyrus French, of Watertown.

21. WILLIAM<sup>4</sup> FENNO (*Jonathan*,<sup>3</sup> *Ephraim*,<sup>2</sup> *John*<sup>1</sup>), born probably in Newton, Mass., about 1765; located in Westminster, Mass., as early as 1787; moved about 1798 to Gardner, Mass., where he died May 7, 1824, aged 59, death being caused by an accident to his wagon, which threw him off; married first in 1787, Rachel, born Dec. 11, 1761, daughter of Asa and Mary Ray. She died Aug. 23, 1791, and he married in 1792 her sister Lydia, born March 8, 1773, died in Gardner in 1851.

Children of William and Rachel:

i. POLLY,<sup>5</sup> b. 1788; d. 1790.

ii. MARY, b. Feb. 18, 1790; m. Abel Wood, of Gardner.

Children of William and Lydia:

i. WILLIAM,<sup>5</sup> b. Dec. 4, 1794; moved to Rome, N. Y., where he d. Nov. 1, 1845; m. 1817, Mary Corey, of Ashburnham, Mass., and had: *Samuel Farrar*,<sup>6</sup> *Lucy Corey*, *Elmira*, *Mary Townsend*, *Lucinda Jeffs*, *William Wood*, *Stephen Arnold*, *George Jackson* and *Frances Ann*.

ii. ASA, b. Dec. 19, 1796; m. Gratia Wheeler, and had: *David Dickerson*,<sup>6</sup> *William Stone*, *Mary Emily*, *James Wheeler*, *Eliza*, *Ray*, *Elmira*, *Harriet*, *Joel*, *Susannah*, *Lyman* and *Frazier*.

iii. JOEL, b. Feb. 6, 1799; m. Sarah Corey, and had: *Sarah Clarinda*,<sup>6</sup> *Hzekiah Corey*, *Willard Jeffs*, *Charles Alexander*, *Joel Camillus*.

iv. ELMIRA, b. Sept. 12, 1804; m. Joseph Carter, and moved to Rome, N. Y. She d. in Bath, N. Y., in 1878, leaving *Elizabeth*, *Adelaide*, and *Eva*.

v. LUCINDA, b. Sept. 29, 1813; d. Sept. 23, 1885; m. Washington Nichols, of Gardner.

vi. LYMAN, b. Jan. 7, 1819; d. Aug. 16, 1895; m. 1847, Mary Miller, and had: *Jane Maria*,<sup>6</sup> *Ella Isadore*, *George Henry*, *Hattie Augusta*.

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